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Sir:

In response to the Office Action in the above case dated 10/18/2005, please consider the amendment, comment and argument below.

AMENDMENT

**TO THE CLAIMS:**  
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